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HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.
CAPITAL PAID-UP.....\$300,000
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INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNT at the Rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balances.
On Fixed Deposits for 12 months, 4 per cent.
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T. H. WHITEHEAD,
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Hongkong, 16th September, 1895.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND.....\$5,000,000
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THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

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For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,

T. JACKSON,
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Hongkong, 1st August, 1895.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

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Hongkong, 23rd August, 1895.

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THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept First Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSEN & Co.,
Hongkong, 23rd May, 1895.

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Hongkong, 23rd May, 1895.

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Hongkong, 26th September, 1895.

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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1895.

DAKIN'S Advertisements.

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WILL BE PUBLISHED VERY SOON
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JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
Hongkong, 27th November, 1895. 1630

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of 1,550 Tons Register,
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The HULL, with MASTS, SPARS, YARDS and standing RIGGING, with ONE ANCHOR and CABLE down, will be sold in One Lot. THE SAILS, RUNNING GEAR, remaining ANCHORS and CABLES, BOATS, SPARE STORES PROVISIONS, &c., &c., will be sold in Separate Lots.

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Hongkong, 27th November, 1895. 1641

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THE Steamship
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Hongkong, 27th November, 1895. 1602

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PUBLISHED
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PRICE—\$1.50 PER COPY.

N.B.—This work is a complete record of the most recent Hongkong, Shantung and Coast Port Race Meetings, and, in addition to a good deal of other useful information, contains a revised list of Record Times made on the Shanghai Course, as well as several pages of Sporting Memoranda and a useful index.

Hongkong, 27th October, 1895. 1406

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Copies ordered from the Office will be charged the usual rate—25 cents.

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Hongkong, 14th October, 1895.

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ITALIAN AND AMERICAN MARBLE AND
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DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are made under the constant supervision of a duly qualified English Chemist and will bear comparison with the best English Manufactures.

Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MEETINGS and other Large Consumers.

Any complaints should be addressed to the Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1895. 157

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VEGETABLE AND FLOWER
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Our First Supplies of these best Quality Seeds have arrived, and Orders will be executed in the sequence in which they are received as long as the supply lasts.

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HINTS FOR GARDENING

have been issued and can be obtained on application.

Our Seeds are all tested before being put up in LONDON.

They are packed under our own Supervision, and the greatest care is exercised to insure protection in transit.

Sowings should be made in FINE WEAVER ONLY and the remainder of the packets secured from damp, and kept in a dry place for repeat sowings.

CLAY'S FERTILIZER.

A high-class Fertilizer for Pot Plants and for use in the Garden generally.

It supplies natural nourishment to the soil, and assists the process of assimilation, thereby aiding the Plants to attain to their full size, vigour and beauty.

Sold in Tins containing 10 lbs, each.....\$2.75,
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Directions for use are given on the Label.

RANSOME'S "NEW PARIS"
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The Best and Cheapest Machines in the Market.
For Sale at Manufacturers' Prices.

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THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

Hongkong, 12th August, 1895. 16

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1895.

FAR EASTERN AFFAIRS.

As a prelude to the somewhat lengthy article which we are about to publish with a view to showing that it has not been owing to the lack of timely warning that steps were not long ago taken to forestall friendly relations with China as a means of preventing Russian domination either in Peking or in Seoul, or both, we give in another column a report of the opinions which Mr. A. R. Colquhoun, M.I.C.E., enunciated at a meeting of the Royal United Service Institution in December 1886. Although Mr. Colquhoun was speaking on this difficult question close upon ten years ago, yet most of what he then said reads as fresh as though it had been uttered yesterday, so true is his forecast, so vivid the picture of the difficulties which to-day exercise the minds of those who take thought for the morrow and who, being wiser in their day and generation than the vast majority of their predecessors, endeavoured to discover the meaning of the "writing on the wall" era it be too late. Passing over Mr. Colquhoun's mistaken notions—errors which greater men than this gifted "special" have been guilty of—about the Chinese being "now convinced of their ability to reconquer all their lost territory," and so forth, we next come to the lecturer's opinion of the "Identity of Interests between us and China" and the desire of Russia to obtain a seaboard and ports, "not to build up a commerce of her own so much as to cripple the commerce and the power of

England and China." His statements are not couched in fine language calculated to mislead or to mystify. On the contrary, he knew whereof he spoke and he felt, no doubt, that the time had arrived for plain speaking. He was wrath when he thought of the golden opportunity to consolidate the peace of Europe by accepting the friendship of Germany, being cast to the winds, and he felt bound to point out that "En-land then had a chance of redeeming in Asia the errors committed in Europe." But, headed, "England has also a chance of repeating them with still more disastrous consequences."

Should the country again be ruled by any Cabinet with opinions as divergent as the points of the compass, China would leave us to face Russia alone." It is poor consolation to know that Mr. Colquhoun's prophecies have been fulfilled, and it is equally unsatisfactory to know that, as far as the Rosebery Government was concerned, his warnings were unheeded, and the far-seeing "special" was, if we remember rightly, treated with contempt and regarded as a dangerous nuisance. The old story over again—"a prophet hath no honour in his own country." Much the same treatment was meted out to the writer who, in 1883, preached the gospel of neutrality at the anteroom for Corea's ill, and asserted time and again in his brochure "Corea and the Powers" that the conversion of Corea into a neutral zone would be bound to result in permanent benefit to the Peninsula Kingdom, have as its sequence almost certain security against conflict between Far Eastern states, and be a safeguard not only to the best interests of Corea but also to those of European and Eastern States generally. When "Corea and the Powers" was published the author was only the special correspondent of the Hongkong Telegraph and Chinese Times so of course little notice was taken of the expression of his opinion. Everything was allowed to go on from bad to worse until the China-Japan War broke out with all its consequent upssets of the calculations of the Rosebery Cabinet. But when the Times gave expression, a few days ago, to the same views as the author of "Corea and the Powers" had emphatically expressed six years before it was considered worth telegraphing to the uttermost parts of the earth as an item of news! Is it not too late now to set about converting Korea into a neutral zone? It could have been done six years ago; but how now?

A CRICKET match will be played on Friday between the Garrison Staff and No. 35 Coy., R.A., at Happy Valley. Play commences at 12.30 and the following will bat for No. 35 Coy.—Gunn, Clarke (goal), Gris, Reynolds and Lewis (Bats); Gris, Ryal, Briggs and Miles (Half Backs); Br. Neale, Gris, Reilly, Logan (Capt.), Williams, and Duncan (Forwards). A very good game is confidently anticipated.

Mr. A. R. Colquhoun recently returned to London from a special mission to Central America, where he has been inquiring on behalf of The Times into the respective merits of the Panama and Nicaragua Canals.

MR. H. RUTTONJEE, who appears to have acquired considerable proficiency in the art of advertising, having contracted for space in the Hongkong Telegraph, in this issue draws attention to some of his specialities.

THE trial of the notorious Jabez Spencer Balfour, for frauds in connection with the Liberator Building Society, was commenced on the 26th ultimo in the Court of Queen's Bench, Balfour appeared to be in excellent health and spirits when he "stepped up."

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THE Hongkong Smoking Concert Club notifies that the first Concert of the season will be given in the City Hall on Saturday, 14th December, at 9.30 p.m., Major G. K. Moore in the chair.

As some of the lists of members are missing, members who do not receive a visit from the Shroff before Saturday, December 9th, are requested to apply for their tickets of membership.

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THE Spectator in a late issue has the following note on the German Emperor's arrival present to the Czar:—The Continent is interested in a fact which may be wholly unimportant or the signal of a great change. The German Emperor has sent to the Czar, by the hands of Captain von Motte, a much-trusted Aide-de-Camp, an autograph letter and a picture. The picture represents Civilization triumphing in the Far East, and there is great curiosity to know what the letter is about. It may be a letter of mere compliment, but it may also be a letter sympathizing with the Czar in his determination to resist Japan. It seems to be understood everywhere that the Czar has the Far East strongly on his mind, that he has resolved on a decided course of action, and that he is collecting powerful forces at Vladivostock. The approval of the German Emperor would therefore be most valuable to him, and might induce him to embark on an enterprise which would relieve Germany of all apprehension for at least two years. There may be nothing whatever in this suggestion, but of the movement of troops to Vladivostock there is no doubt, or of the friendliness of official Germany to Russian plans in the Far East. They would like Japan to resist them; or if England only would—that would be charming. To watch a duel between one's friend and one's enemy from an armchair—what could be more delightful?

ANOTHER BANGKOK LIBEL CASE! This is what the Bangkok Times, which has to face the music, says about it on the 13th instant:—

The next libel suit is to be Luang Tharakun, Inspector of Police, versus the Bangkok Times, the cause for action being the publication of a letter, in our Slams column, from a member of the "Su-Ly-Ku" Chinese Guild, referring to the recent riots at Sampeng, in the course of which one of their number was killed. Luang Tharakun now wants 4,000 ticals for damage to his honour, also costs and several other forms of relief.

JULES MARCHEZ, 51, Pekalum Road, was before the Police Magistrate this morning charged with selling intoxicating liquors without a license. Detective Sergeant McIver and Sergeant Moffat raided the defendant's premises last Saturday and seized about twenty-five dozen bottles of brandy and whisky, and three casks of wine. Mr. Willcock appeared for the defendant and stated that his client was preparing the liquors for the Haiphong and Saigon market, and did not sell any of his goods in the Colony. But the Police brought forward evidence to prove that it had been sold by the bottle, whereupon His Worship inflicted a fine of \$100, and ordered the goods to be confiscated.

TURKEY.
LONDON, November 25th.

Insurgents in Crete have defeated the Turkish troops.

The situation in Asia Minor is improving. The Turks still object to the doubling of the guard-ships for the protection of the Embassies at Constantinople.

FRANCE AND CHINA.
The French Chamber has unanimously voted credits for increasing the consulates in China.

ITALY.

The Italian Budget shows a surplus of 8,000,000 lire, without any increase of taxation or debt.

(Special to *St. James' Gazette*)

THE ASHANTI EXPEDITION.

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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1895.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

NORTH CHINA.

We have received Shanghai exchanges to the 23rd, to which we are indebted for the following items:—

A syndicate of nine foreigners has purchased a tract of land measuring 153 mow, below Boyd's Lower Dock, Shanghai, for £16,000. The Cormoran, with the German Admiral on board, was expected to arrive at Woosung on the 22nd.

According to news from Chefoo, it is stated that contractors want \$50,000 to raise to wreck of the *Nanking*, or \$35,000 to make an attempt to raise her.

The Empress Dowager has commanded that this year there should be no public celebration of her birthday, which occurred on the 16th of the current month. This was owing to the serious rebellion in progress in Kansu, and the unsettled state of the country generally.

It is reported from Wuchang that a certain Szechuan syndicate has obtained the consent of the high authorities of Szechuan and Hupeh to work the petroleum deposits in these two provinces, and that the head of the syndicate is a man named Chang, who has recently seen some English merchants about procuring the necessary foreign machinery to develop the industry.

According to despatches received from Tientsin, Sheng Taotai has succeeded in getting both the grain merchants and importers, as well as the high authorities of that port, to consent to an additional taxation of five cash on every picul of rice imported, grown, or sold, to form a guarantee fund for the expenses of the new Tientsin College of Western Sciences, of which Mr. Tenny is the Principal.

Great difficulty is being experienced at present by the managers of cotton-mills and silk factories in Shanghai in getting women and girls to work. This is due, it seems, to the number of such concerns that have lately been started, the local labour market being insufficient to supply the increased demand, and consequently a movement in full swing amongst the manufacturers of silk and cotton to bring down women from Tientsin to work in the Shanghai mills.

The new Shanghai tow-boats Company's tugs have been sold to Ningpo. It is stated that one is intended for a pirate-chaser among the Chusan Islands, and the other for a ferry boat to run between Chinthal and Ningpo.

A young Cantonese committed suicide in the grounds of Oliver's Bungalow, near Shanghai, on the 15th, by hanging, and though the native officials were at once informed on the body being discovered, no notice had been taken and the body was still hanging, to the disgust of passengers on the 16th.

Viceroy Yang Chang-chun, of Kansu, has been dismissed from his post and ordered to return to his home, for allowing the Mahomedan rebellion to obtain such headway.

An inquest was held in Shanghai, on the 16th, on the body of Mr. Charles Watt, the late second engineer of the steamer *Canton*, who was drowned on the 7th which got into a sampan. The evidence of a sailor who was present, and who described the attempts made by the friend of deceased to recover Watt, was heard, after which a verdict of accidental death was returned.

The Director of Zikawei Observatory states that, thanks to the kind assistance rendered by Mr. O. Müller, Superintendent of the Chinese Telegraph Administration, he will henceforth be able to publish meteorological reports from Chefoo, Hankow, Kuklung, and perhaps other places, daily. This will greatly increase the usefulness of the China Coast Meteorological Reports.

The Keling case still drags its weary length along. The time allowed the Taotai in which to settle the case is rapidly drawing to a close, and he is now manifesting great eagerness to settle. As a preliminary guarantee of good faith the foreigner demand that the innocent men in prison should be released from their long confinement. This the Taotai has refused to do. If the Taotai is sincere in his wish to settle, and has any desire to show himself friendly to foreigners, he will certainly take this step. Demands have been sent to Chang Chih-tung to release these men at once, but he does not reply to the despatches.

News comes from Newchwang that H.M.S. *Rattler* was docked for the winter on the 8th, and is now being roofed in. The Japanese are slipping off all their superfluous stores, and are said to intend to leave during January. The foreigners almost wish they would remain until Spring, as they fear a reign of lawlessness after they retire.

SIAM AND THE STRAITS.
We are indebted to our Bangkok and Singapore exchanges, dated to the 18th inst., for the following items:—

Messrs. Windsor & Co. of Bangkok placed a new launch in the water on the 13th, built under the superintendence of Mr. David Baird, the Company's engineer.

Mr. Kempermann, H.L.G.M. Minister Resident, was received by the Siamese Foreign Minister, at the Foreign Office, on the 14th day, H. H. the Rajah of Sarawak and his son, the Tan Muda, took passage for Gencu in the German mail steamer *Prinz Heinrich* on the 15th.

The *Mekong*, which left Saigon on the 11th, had on board General Coronat, of the Marne Infantry, who is paying a visit of inspection to the troops in occupation of Chantaboon.

The 16th being the anniversary of the Coronation of the King of Siam, the event was celebrated with great rejoicings and festivities. On this occasion His Majesty signified his pleasure by decorating Mrs. de Richelles with the 3rd Order of the White Elephant. This was the first occasion, it is believed, on which the King of Siam has ever decorated a European lady, an honour which is not even granted to all the Princesses of the royal blood.

In H. B. M. Court, Bangkok on Thursday, before Mr. M. de Bassan (*Chargé d'Affaires*) Ahmat, a British Indian subject, was charged with the murder of Nai Rot, a Siamese soldier, on the night of April 6th. The jury consisted of Messrs. Cairns (foreman), Thompson, Silvers, Alsle, and Baird. Mr. Taylor (instructed by Mr. Kirkpatrick, Legal Adviser to the Siamese Government) prosecuted, and Mr. Goossatals defended. The jury returned a unanimous verdict of guilty. In reply to the usual question from His Honour as to whether he had anything to say why sentence should not be passed upon him, Prisoner said he was not guilty of the murder, and asked that the matrix should be referred to Singapore. His Honour, however, passed sentence of death in the usual form, and intimated that the prisoner would be sent to Singapore for execution, according to the provisions of the Order in Council.

JAPAN.
From Kobe exchanges to the 16th inst., we gather the following news:—

A man named Ota, of Himeji in Hyogo prefecture, has been arrested for making and uttering counterfeit 5-yen nickel coins.

It is said that the Quarantine Inspection office at Wada Point will close this month, as the various infectious diseases which have been prevalent throughout Japan are almost non-existent.

Official advices from Honshu by the *Choko* report that, as the last copy of *Choko* appeared

on the 2nd and October, all quarantine restrictions have been raised and the city and port of Honshu declared free from all contagious or infectious disease.

Kobe is to have an electric tramway, and already two rival syndicates are in the field seeking to obtain the necessary permits from the authorities.

The *Chow Chow Foo* is now on the patent slip at Kosuge, says the *Nagasaki Shimbun*. Captain Meyer and his officers speak in the highest terms of the able manner in which the staff of the Mitsui Blasch Company got her off in a very difficult position in spite of the heavy seas and inclement weather, which greatly hampered their exertions.

FAR EASTERN AFFAIRS.

MR. COLQUHOUN'S LECTURE AT THE ROYAL UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION.

So far back as December, 1885, Mr. A. R. Colquhoun—who had been Commissioner in Upper Burma—drew attention to Far Eastern Affairs in a lecture delivered at the Royal United Service Institution in London. A report of that lecture, which may be found interesting and instructive at this critical juncture, was published in *The Standard* (London) on the 17th December, 1885, as follows:—

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NORTH BORNEO NOTES. (FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SANDAKAN, November 18th.

H.M.S. *Redpole* came in on the 13th, and after four days' stay left for a cruise to Derval Bay and the neighbourhood. The officers had a good time on shore, what with dinners, idling parties, and a dance at Government House. Unfortunately the weather at the time was rather unfavourable for tennis and croquet, but even so they seem to have obtained a little exercise in one way or another. Amongst other items arranged for their amusement was a visit to the Borneo estate, where they had a good deal of hard-walking—but were much pleased at what they saw, evincing particular interest in the Manilla hemp-making by Sulu workers.

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Hongkong, 25th November, 1895. [1628]

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STEAMERS.

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"GLENGLYME," Captain McGillivray, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 26th instant, at Noon, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 27th November, 1895. [1557]

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED, FOR LONDON, VIA PORTS OF CALL. THE Company's Steamship

"GONFA."

J. Davies, Commander, will be despatched as above on or about the 2nd December.

For Freight or Passage, apply to HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 14th November, 1895. [1579]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR CEBU.

THE Steamship

"NANCHANG," Captain Finlayson, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 3rd December.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1895. [1629]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

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Hongkong, 25th November, 1895. [1641]

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THE Steamship

"FOOCHOW," will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 7th December.

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Hongkong, 22nd November, 1895. [1613]

"SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

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"EUPLECTELA," Captain Morris, will be despatched as above on or about the 7th December.

For Freight, apply to ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1895. [1533]

"EEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

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THE Steamship

"BENLAWERS," Captain Webster, will be despatched as above on or about the 7th December.

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Hongkong, 26th November, 1895. [1635]

"TETARTOS," Captain Dines, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 8th December, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to WING CHEONG & Co., AH YON.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1895. [1634]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"ULYSSES," Captain Lapage, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 12th December.

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Hongkong, 25th November, 1895. [1535]

"DEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

(To follow the Steamers Strathclyde, Glynys, and Monmouthshire.)

THE Steamship

"BENGLOE," Captain Thomson, will be despatched for the above Port on or about MONDAY, the 23rd December.

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Hongkong, 13th November, 1895. [1571]

FOR NEW YORK AND NEW ORLEANS, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"TEVIOTDALE," Captain Gordon, shortly expected, will load here for the above Ports, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 4th November, 1895. [1515]

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EMPEROR OF JAPAN...Comdr. G. A. Lee, R.N.R....WEDNESDAY, 25th December.

EMPEROR OF CHINA...Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R....WEDNESDAY, 1st January, '96.

EMPEROR OF INDIA...Comdr. H. Pybus, R.N.R....WEDNESDAY, 19th February, '96.

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Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 P.M. on the day previous to sailing.

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Hongkong, 12th November, 1895. [1514]

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Sachsen | Monday ... | 6th Jan.

Gera | Monday ... | 3rd Feb.

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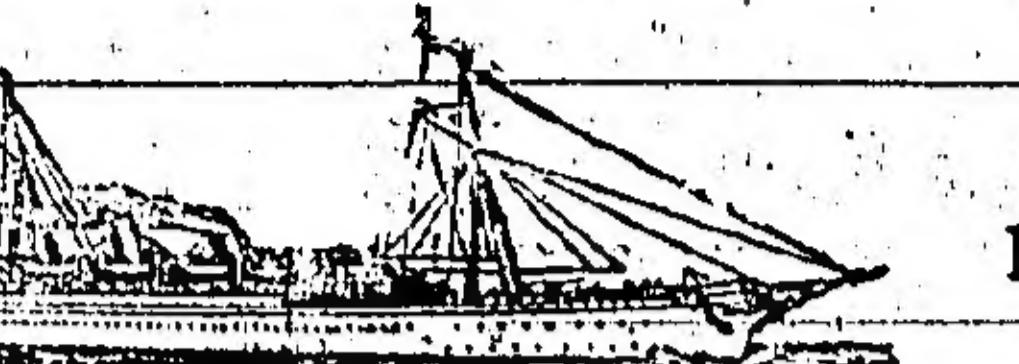
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